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Digital Library Project
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Digital Library project, under the National Mission on Education through Information and Communication Technology (NMEICT), has been successful and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of institutions across the country which are connected to it and are contributing to the project, State/UT-wise including Himachal Pradesh;

(c) the number of students accessing the Digital Library, State/UT-wise; and

(d) the number of languages in which content is available under the National Digital Library Project?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(DR. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)

(a) to (d) Yes, Madam. The National Digital Library (NDL) Project has been implemented by the IIT Kharagpur under the National Mission on Education through Information and Communication Technology (NMEICT). Under this (130) digital repositories both within the Country and outside have been linked and there is a collection of more than 66 lakh reading resources on NDL. The contents cover all domains of education and all levels of learners from school level to the highest level of education including life-long learners. The NDL has also been launched as a Mobile App and can be downloaded from Google Play Store. Contents are in 170 languages, including (26) Indian languages.

These resources are shared with more than 14,600 higher educational institutions, with a registration of more than 11 lakh students. However, this data is not being maintained State-wise. From Himachal Pradesh, the Chitkara University contributed to the digital repository, and (18) institutions have been using the NDL resources.

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